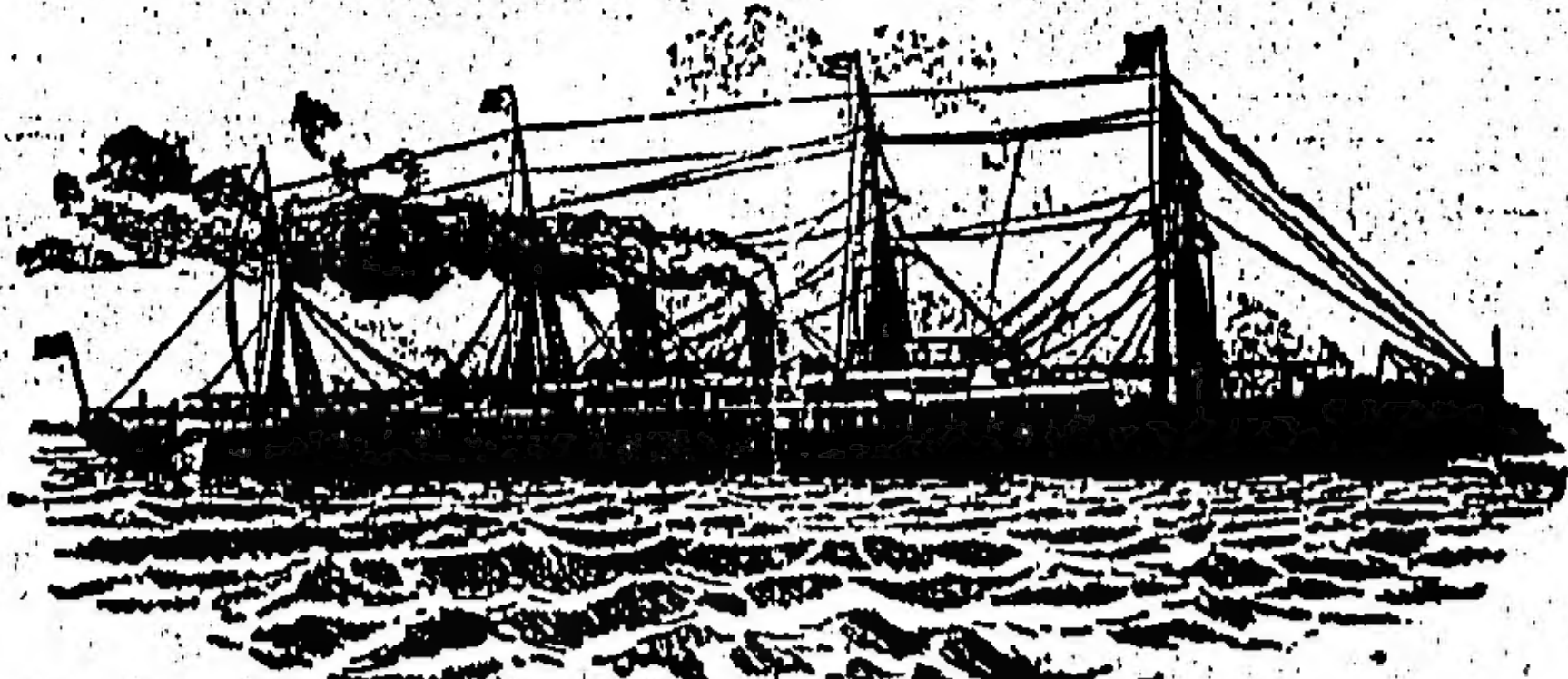


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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"MANCHURIA"	13,639 Gross Tons.	FRIDAY, 23rd December, at 4 p.m.
"KOREA"	11,276 "	FRIDAY, 6th January, 1905, at Noon.
"COPTIO"	4,352 "	FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	TUESDAY, 24th January, at Noon.
"MONGOLIA"	13,639 "	FRIDAY, 3rd February, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,000 "	FRIDAY, 17th February, at Noon.
"MANCHURIA"	13,639 "	TUESDAY, 28th February, at Noon.
"DOBIO"	4,784 "	SATURDAY, 11th March, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Steamship "MANCHURIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 p.m., taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

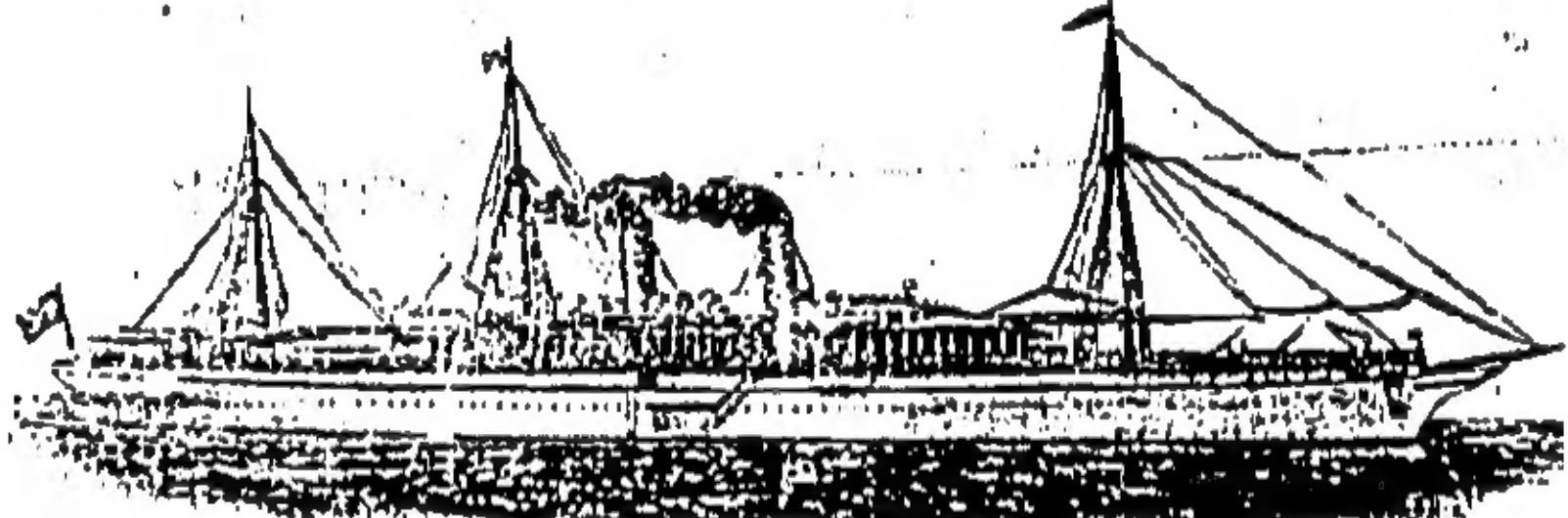
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E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"..... 2,440 Tons..... WEDNESDAY, 28th December.

"EMPRESS OF CHINA"..... 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 11th January, 1905.

"TARTAR"..... 4,425 "..... WEDNESDAY, 25th January.

"EMPRESS OF INDIA"..... 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 8th February.

"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"..... 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 8th March.

"ATHENIAN"..... 2,440 "..... WEDNESDAY, 15th March.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class..... via St. Lawrence £60. Via New York £62.

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THE magnificent Twin-screw "EMPRESS" Steamships pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 11 DAYS, and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

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D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent,
9, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
SENEGAMBIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	21st Dec. Freight.
ARMENIA	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	1st January. Freight.
C. F. LARSEN	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th January. Freight.
von Hoff	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	22nd January. Freight.
AMBRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	27th January. Freight.
Porcellius	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	7th Feb. Freight.
SITHONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st Feb. Freight.
Hildebrandt	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	7th March. Freight and Passengers.
ARCADIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	
Andalusia	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	
Filler	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	
RHENANIA	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
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No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

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REASONABLE FEES.

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Hongkong, 30th July, 1904.

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37, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1905.

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WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

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COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,303 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN"	2,318 "	" R. D. Thomas.
"FATSHAN"	2,300 "	" W. A. Valentine.
"HANKOW"	3,073 "	" C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN"	1,993 "	" J. J. Lonsius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

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These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River.

Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"	1,998 tons	Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao	on week days at 2.30 P.M.	
Departures on Sundays	at 12.30 P.M.	
Departures from Macao to Hongkong	daily at 8.30 A.M.	

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	2,19 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao	every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8.30 A.M.	
and leaves Macao for Canton	every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 A.M.	

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM"	588 tons	Captain J. Wilcox.
"NANNING"	569 "	" C. Butchart.
One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow	every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30 A.M.	
and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton	on the same days at 8.30 A.M.	
Round trips take about 5 days.	These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.	

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

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Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1904.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.
REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE
BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	First half January	JAVA PORTS	Second half January
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half January
TJIMAH	JAPAN	Second half December	JAVA PORTS	Second half December

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE HEAD AGENCY

OF THE

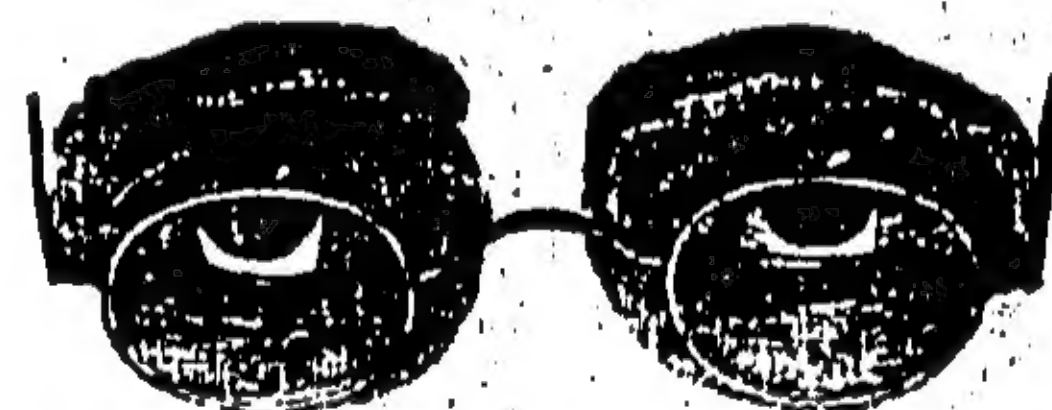
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Telephone No. 375.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1904.

Intimations.



IF YOU HAVE A HEADACHE, DON'T TAKE DRUGS UNTIL YOU HAVE HAD YOUR EYES

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N. LAZARUS,

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DEFECTIVE Vision and Eyestrain Cause many Nerve Troubles, needing only proper

Glasses to Correct and Cure.

Prescription lenses ground on the premises. All work guaranteed.

Sun Glasses are useful and give the effect of coolness.

Prices from \$2.00.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

A. S. TUXFORD, Manager.

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F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

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COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS

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16, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF

SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES

ALWAYS IN STOCK

AT

REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1904.

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DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWEL

ERS AND WATCHMAKERS.

RATHMAN'S

KODAKS and FILMS.

Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES.

"OMEGA" is the best, "THREE YEARS"

guarantee given to every purchaser.

40, QUEEN'S ROAD,

Wing's Building.

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Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of
entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft.
Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to
pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of
entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8
ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time
to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of
Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Dock-
ing and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work,
and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by
Lloyds' surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of
Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable
of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge
Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be
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The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that
of any port in the world.

Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 376.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. 1 and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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D. NOMA, TATTOOER

60, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

THE Public are informed that my Parlours are open from 9 A.M. all day. My 32 years' ex-
perience in TATTOOING is a guarantee of good work and prompt execution. My
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H. I. H. The Emperor of Russia, both honoured me with their patronage, besides many others
of High Rank. Prices Moderate and satisfaction guaranteed as attested by 3,700 Recommen-
dations which I have received from all sources.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are
prepared, during suspension of their
Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice,
to BOOK-CARGO and ISSUE-BILLS OF LADING

to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and

PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVER-

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and CANADA in connection with the GREAT

NORTHERN RAILWAY FROM SEAT-

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STEAMSHIP and TOWBOAT COS., OCEAN

S. S. Co. and CHINA MUTUAL S. N. Co.

For further Particulars, apply at the Com-

pany's Local Branch Office in PRINCE'S

BUILDINGS, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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HOTEL DES INDES.

Nos. 1 & 2, STAMBOURD ROAD,

SINGAPORE.

THIS First Class newly opened Hotel has

excellent accommodation for FAMILIES,

TRAVELLERS and permanent BOARDERS.

CHARGES FROM 4-6 DOLLARS PER DAY.

It is situated in the immediate vicinity of the

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Spacious Refreshment, Dinner and Billiard

Saloons.

E. C. VAN MARLE,

Proprietor.

H. T. SARRE,

Manager.

Singapore, 4th October, 1904.

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Hotels.

FOR HOTEL COMFORT AND THE BEST BILLIARDS

GO TO THE

KOWLOON HOTEL.

33] KOWLOON J. W. OSBORNE,
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Intimations.

Wm. Powell, Ltd.

Business Hours—8.30 A.M. to 6 P.M.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,

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XMAS, 1904.

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BAZAAR

IS NOW OPEN.

Every conceivable kind
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TOY
to be had at a
REASONABLE PRICE.DOLLS!
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DOLLS
in the Far East.GAMES!
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GAMES!Do not fail to bring the
Children to spend
half an hour in the
Bazaar

at

POWELL'S

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1904.

Auctions.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from KELLY, SAYCE, Esq., to Sell by
—PUBLIC AUCTION—
TO-MORROW,
the 20th December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence, No. 4, Robinson Road,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1345]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
WEDNESDAY,
the 21st December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,
A FINE ASSORTMENT OF
ENGRAVINGS,
and
A QUANTITY OF
BOOTS AND SHOES.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 16th December, 1904. [1346]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
THURSDAY,
the 22nd December, 1904, at 11 A.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,
SUNDRY
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,
Comprising:—
TELESCOPES, FIELD GLASSES, SEX-
TANTS, SUITS OF CLOTHES, DRAWING
INSTRUMENTS, FELT HATS, BANJOES,
MACKINTOSHES, BOOTS, GOLD
WATCHES, CHAINS, DIAMOND RINGS,
BANGLES, &c., &c., &c.
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TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1351]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the date of sale, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Marine Lot No. 40.	140' 0" x 120' 0" x 120' 0" x 120' 0"	16,212	950	213 50s

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1352]

Intimations.



SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
Hongkong,
TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC
BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS AND VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such Building within the WESTERN DIVISION of the CITY OF VICTORIA occupied by members of more than one family must be Cleaned and Lime-washed THROUGHOUT by the owner during the months of November and December.

N.B.—The word "Throughout" used in this notice means that the Houses should be Lime-washed in respect of all the Walls of each Room and Staircase, all Cubicle Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs both in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.

The Back Yard should have its containing Walls Lime-washed up to the level of the first floor.

Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in good condition, however, need not be Lime-washed but must be Cleaned.

The Western Division of the City lies to the west of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.

THOS. A. HANMER,
Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1904. [1344]

CHRISTMAS.

WHAT BETTER GIFT
THAN A
SINGER SEWING MACHINE.

CASH OR EASY PAYMENTS.

Showrooms—1, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1904. [1343]

JUST OPENED.

ANOTHER parcel of Messrs. RABHAEL TUCK & SONS' XMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS of the most elaborate and fancy designs.

Inspection is Earnestly Solicited.

H. RUTTONJEE,
No. 5, D'Aguilar Street,
or
37 and 39, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904. [1348]

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

THE PRIZE LIST.

(Continued from page 5)

The prize list was as follows:—

First Standard.—R. C. Sales, general proficiency; D. P. Cooper, and J. H. Pearson, reading; P. Dionicio and A. Rodriguez, dictation; Wong Chin Min, and Kwok Min, arithmetic; Gam Bong and E. Abahim, penmanship; S. Marcal and Kwok Quite Chiu, Christian doctrine.

Second Standard.—R. Ribeiro, and J. Echevaria, Christian doctrine; C. Pepper, reading; F. Gochoico, reading and geography; J. Valles, and H. Pereira, dictation; J. Rosario, and B. Veloso, arithmetic; Ng Tor Hon, geography and general proficiency; Tom Pak Hou, and Dai Wing War, penmanship.

Third Standard.—D. Rosario, general proficiency and Christian doctrine; A. Baptista, Christian doctrine; Tong Lung and Misaki, arithmetic; J. Logan and M. Gochoico, penmanship; J. Yau Loy and F. Rosario, geography; P. M. Mehta and A. P. Castro, English.

Fourth Standard.—Gin Shun, general proficiency and Geography; P. O. Luis and J. Thwan, penmanship; M. Nemazeo, English; J. Asensio, English and mathematics; J. Souza, geography; J. Silva and A. Coniatares, Christian doctrine; J. Ruegg and F. Lopes, history; J. Martin, mathematics.

Fifth Standard.—E. O. Luis, Christian doctrine; R. Taylor, English; J. Hoosenally, English and geography; Fung Si King and M. Fizarro, mathematics; L. Yapaute, history and geography; R. Yanguas and F. Neves, penmanship; C. Sequiera, general proficiency, Christian doctrine, and history.

Sixth Standard.—Loureiro, general proficiency, geography, shorthand; Tsui Yan Sau, mathematics, religious knowledge and geography; Filomeno Otorio, English and history; A. Vidal, English; L. Laurel, history; Francisco Otorio, mathematics and shorthand; J. Rew, religious knowledge; F. Carneiro, penmanship; E. Antonio, penmanship.

Seventh Standard.—F. Vidal, mathematics, religious knowledge and geography; F. Brown, English and religious knowledge; F. de Sa, shorthand; J. White, English, geography and mathematics; J. N. J. Erra, mathematics, geography and book-keeping; A. Calmen, and Carlos Lopes, vocal music.

FORTHCOMING REGATTA

IN FEBRUARY NEXT.

Arrangements are now being made and are almost complete, for holding a regatta, to be called the "Hongkong Regatta," on the 11th of February next. The programme, so far devised, will include three four-oar races, one of which will be for a cup presented by the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., the crews in these races to be professional, that is, all the members of each individual crew must be of the same profession. One of the four-oar races will be an open race, and it is hoped that entries may be notified from other Far Eastern ports. As at present proposed, there will be also two pair-oar races, one being open to outports, and one confined to Hongkong contestants. Two races for men-of-war boats will be included in the programme. It was His Excellency the Governor who initiated this scheme for, as it were, an interport and local regatta. He has himself settled and arranged the rules and conditions under which what is expected to be the most important, and the most interesting event of the day's rowing—the "Professional" race—which is open only to local professionals, is to be rowed. The interest His Excellency is displaying should give a great stimulus to this form of sport in the Colony. A proposal is now under discussion to change the course for these races to the Hongkong side, as it is thought that this will be a most popular move, seeing that most of those interested live over here.

The committee appointed to promote this scheme consists of Colonel L. F. Brown, R.E., President, and Messrs. E. Mitchell, A. Chapman, G. Caldwell, F. W. Warre, C. H. Gale, H. F. Chard, Treasurer, and E. R. Hallifax, Hon. Secretary. The programme and all further details will be advertised when definitely settled. In the meantime those interested can obtain further information by inquiring of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. R. Hallifax, at the Central Police Station.

ATHLETE "RUN-DOWN"

SPLENDID TONIC EFFECT OF DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE.

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"I never knew illness until I was thirty-seven," said Mr. Temple Jones, once famous as Champion Jumper, "and that's two years ago. Then I had a very bad experience, and it nearly killed me. The Doctor said I had Pleurisy, with inflammation of the Lungs. He was a clever man and did me good, but the complaint left me."

UTTERLY RUN DOWN.

I could not take food, and was so weak that I could hardly crawl. I had read of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and tried them.

"The result was simply marvellous. The pills (which are tonic, not purgative) began to take effect almost at once. I had only taken a very few doses when the desire for food returned. My appetite daily improved, my strength returned, and I had still part of my first bottle left when I was completely built up again and able to follow my business as usual. Now I feel as well as ever I did."

"No speedier nor more striking cure than mine could possibly be desired."

Mr. Jones, now living at the Recreation Tavern, Hoboken-street, Bolton, England, gave these facts to the representative of the *Bolton Chronicle*. His case is like that of thousands, who, without being actually ill, have not strength enough for full health. It is new blood that gives strength, and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People that make new blood, new appetite, new vigour.

Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. have permission to refer to persons in all parts who recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, not only as a Tonic, but also for the cure of Paralysis, Locomotor Ataxy, Rheumatism, Sciatica, and Kidney Disease; diseases arising from impoverishment of the blood; Scrofula, Rickets, Chronic Erysipelas, Consumption of the Bowels and Lungs, Anaemia, Pale and Sallow Complexion, General Weakness, Loss of Appetite, Palpitations, Pains in the Back, Nervous Headache, Neuralgia, Early Decay, Ladies' Weaknesses, and Hysteria. These pills are genuine only with the full name, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and are sold by chemists, and by Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., at 25. 9d. per bottle, or six bottles, for 135. 9d. Sufferers are invited to write to Dr. Williams' Correspondence Dept., 46 Holborn-viaduct, London, with description of symptoms. [66]

COMMERCIAL.

FREIGHT.

In their report of 17th inst., Messrs. Lamke and Rogge state:—

During the period that has elapsed since issue of last report, only an insignificant amount of business has come to pass, but it cannot be said that the market has ruled any weaker than heretofore; on the contrary, a strong demand has been in appearance throughout the fortnight and it is solely attributable to the scarcity of suitable tonnage and the often experienced difficulty to make both ends meet, that the numerous inquiries, especially emanating from the North, could not be filled locally. Prospects, on the whole, remain decidedly good.

As regards Southern business, Saigon has recently been inquiring after tonnage again—steamers of medium size only—to load for this port at 15 cents per picul, but it goes without saying, that only boats trading regularly between that port and ours will accept such business. There is not very much left now of the old crops produce, and the still available remnants are being held at high prices. As to the arrival of new grain and total estimate of the crop, we shall probably be able to say something definite in next issue.

Saigon/Philippine, there has been some inquiry resulting in a charter at 30 cents per picul and, in addition, some of the Manila-owned boats are said to have been taken up elsewhere.

In other directions, Java or Japan there has been no inquiry.

From Java to this, no fresh business has transpired chiefly for want of suitable tonnage. To load here for Japan, steamers have continually been taking the berth, but rates have slackened considerably of late and it is hardly possible to give a reliable quotation at the moment.

From Yangtze ports to Canton, a good demand continues to prevail and rates are about the same as last quoted.

Coal freights have ruled very firm and a number of charters have been drawn at \$2.30 per ton, Moji or Kuchino to this and further tonnage can probably be placed. For Singapore, only about \$2.40 per ton is offering; no business reported.

On monthly terms, a fairly large business is said to have been done at full rates in the North; whilst local Chinese have been keeping aloof in the hope of doing better by waiting.

Sail Freights:—Nothing doing.

Sail-shipment loading or to load.—None.

Disengaged:—Norw. 4m. bark *Prince Robert* 2,654 tons.

British bark *Arctics* 1,700 tons.

Departures:—None.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/11 1/2
Do. demand	1/11 3/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
France—Bank T.T.	2/4 1/2
America—Bank T.T.	46 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	143 1/2
India T.T.	143 1/2
Do. demand	143 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	71 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	94 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	116

Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C.	1/11 1/2
6 months' sight L/C.	1/11 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	47 1/2
4 months' sight do.	48 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	1/11 1/2
4 months' sight France	2/4 1/2
6 months' sight do.	2/4 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	200 1/2
Bar Silver	28 1/16
Bank of England rate	5 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:

	Per chest
Malwa New	@ 1,050/1,080
Old	@ 1,120/1,140
Older	@ 1,150/1,170
Oldest	@ 1,200/1,250
Batavia New	@ 1,150
Batavia Old	@ 1,110
Resin (Fragrant)	@ 850/900

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1349]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company in Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road, on FRIDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Manager together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to 26th instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 14th December, 1904. [1342]

WO SHUN STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the WO SHUN STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 138, Connaught Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 22nd day of December, 1904, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

Should the said Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting to be subsequently convened:

RESOLUTION.

"That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$140,000 by the creation of 900 New Shares of \$100 each."

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904. [1348]

LOST.

ON Saturday night (16th), a PEARL AND CRYSTAL NECKLET on SILVER CHAIN. Finder will be rewarded on returning it to PAGODA BUNGALOW, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1904. [1339]

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904. [61]

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

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CABINET-MAKER AND ART DECORATOR, from Shanghai, has opened a FURNITURE STORE at

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Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as follows:—

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AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [99]

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED STETSON, OTHERWISE MILDRED STEPHENSON, OTHERWISE BESSIE VICKIE, LATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG; Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has, by virtue of Section 18 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made an Order limiting to the 10th day of January, 1905, for sending in Claims against the above Estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned before the said date.

Dated this 8th day of October, 1904.

ARATHOON SETH,
Official Administrator.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [1469]

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. 1266-2

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1904.

THE MACAO-CANTON RAILWAY.

Our correspondent at Macao, unusually well informed in matters concerning the Portuguese colony, is again first afield in his public information as to the fate which the recent Cino-Portuguese Convention, concluded at Shanghai, has met at the hands of the Portuguese Government. Under his "notes" from Macao of yesterday's date, our correspondent informs us that the Government has refused to ratify the Convention which Senhor José d'Azevedo Castello Branco re-negotiated on behalf of his Government for the Macao-Canton railway. It was but a few weeks since that we reproduced in these columns, *in extenso*, the text of that remarkable document. On the following day, we animadverted against the total absence of wisdom displayed by the Portuguese Minister and his advisers in consenting to affix his signature to a compact which brought his Government to ridicule in the eyes of Chinese diplomats and the world at large. It was nothing short of discreditable for the Envoy to acquiesce in terms which were positively derogatory to his Government and to accept stipulations on behalf of his fellow-subjects which reduced them to a position of subservience to the Chinese authorities without any hope of redress or protection at the hands of the Government to which they own allegiance. The defenders of Senhor Branco advance the argument in extenuation of his extraordinary attitude that, it was only in the acquiescence in Sheng's stipulations could he succeed in obtaining the concession. At best it is but a poor excuse. The end did not justify the means. The attainment of the concession was purchased at the sacrifice of national prestige, and the Minister, as the delegate of his Sovereign, was no more justified in giving away the

prestige of his Government, than his advisers were right in counselling his acceptance of terms and conditions wholly framed for the benefit of the Chinese Government and the capitalists of Heungshan who thought fit to put their money into the enterprise. Minister Azevedo has got his deserts in the refusal of the Chamber of Deputies in Lisbon to ratify the agreement he was responsible for concluding for the Portuguese. That he should be once and for all deprived of his portfolio as a diplomat in the future ought to be what the Portuguese people would make certain about. Such a representative instead of promoting the best interests of his country and people would be a dangerous element to the national safety if he were permitted to remain in power. Let the man be relegated to some position of obscurity wherein his mental capabilities will find less scope for the public derogation of his country and King than he was allowed to exhibit in his second mission to China.

BALTIC FLEET AND HONGKONG JUNKS.

It is to be presumed that the Hongkong Government has not received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies the following warning which has evidently been telegraphed to most of the British possessions that lie anywhere in the neighbourhood of the possible route of the Baltic fleet. As received by H.B. the Governor of the Straits Settlements this communication reads: "London, 7th December, 1904. Matter most urgent. The Russian Minister states that the Admiral in command of the Baltic Fleet telegraphs that fishing boats constantly cross the line of the Squadron by night without lights, rendering his position extremely difficult, which might lead to deplorable results. In view of the possibility of Russian men-of-war entering the waters of the Colony, you should as far as possible take steps to ensure British fishing boats carrying lights in order to avoid danger of a regrettable misunderstanding." As we have already pointed out, there is no likelihood of the fleet ever passing into the China Sea and much less the vicinity of Hongkong, even though the Admiral perseveres in his endeavour to get North. This view is also taken by the *Singapore Free Press*, who holds the opinion that these waters will not be used save in the case of bad breakdowns, or, at most, for the transit of small and slow craft. They also doubt the suggestion that the objective of the Fleet is Formosa, and state that even if a port were to be seized there would be no docking or repairing facilities available. "It would be a thoroughly motiveless act, with not a strategic reason worth a straw behind it." A Japanese fast flying squadron would soon settle any attempted concentration of colliers and the fleet would be soon reduced to something like immobility. If there is a genuine purpose of trying to reach Vladivostok that purpose will not be carried out by passing up the China Sea. The Straits of Sunda, the Java Sea, or north by Celebes, and well east of Japan, towards Vladivostok, is the most probable of all alternative routes," says the paper. Nevertheless, it is interesting, if somewhat amusing,

to note the timely warning of the Admiral as conveyed through the Russian Minister. If it came about that his ships did meet a fleet of Chinese fishing junks at night there is no telling what the consequences would be in view of the fact that the experience of China coasters points to the circumstance that the natives are not over particular with their masthead lights. If in the waters of the Colony it is most difficult to pick them up after dusk, what it must be at sea can be told only by the skippers who are highly placed in danger of a collision with this sort of craft. If a note of warning is sounded it is unlikely that the Chinese fisherman will take heed of it and depart from custom of time immemorial by troubling about artificial lights. They would prefer running the risk of being met by a scratch pack of more or less incompetent people navigating a still more incompetent fleet. The danger of any of our local fishing boats running across the Baltic ships is very remote, though should they do so theirs will be a poor chance against unseasoned officers and men who, by the time they got here, would be prepared to see a foe in every foreign funnel, as children fear a ghost in every dark room.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE English mail of the 19th November was delivered in London on the 16th inst.

THE supply of winter clothes to the Japanese troops at the front is ideally complete, non-combatants being included.

THE Circum-Baikal railway is already in such a bad condition that the transit of troops this winter is again to be over the frozen lake.

A SYNDICATE has been formed in Tokio with a capital of ¥600,000 for the purpose of establishing in China a general printing, publishing, typefoundry and stationery business.

MESSRS. Melchers & Co., as representing the Royal Insurance Co., send us an almanac and diary for the new year. From the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, the local agents for the Tokio Marine Insurance Co., we have also received an artistic almanac.

THE Kowloon cricketers are to be congratulated on their latest performance. They are shaping better in each match, and on Saturday compiled 156 for two, against the Police 74. Pretty tall scoring! The local constabulary are not doing badly though for a younger club.

THE s.s. *Ithal* arrived in harbour this morning from Chinwantao, en route for Durban with cargo and coolies for South Africa. She is now loading a further few hundred coolies here, and will sail for her destination at daylight tomorrow. This is the first batch of coolies to embark in Hongkong for the mines for some months past.

It is just as well to remember that one cannot carry sword sticks without permission. This morning a military man, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was also fined for having one of these weapons and no police permit. In all he had to pay \$30, besides being bound over to the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for six months.

THE December number of *The Yellow Dragon* contains the results of the mid-term examination and also the Queen's College candidates in the Oxford Local examination, besides interesting letters from America and the seat of war. The little magazine is gaining in popularity as shown by the fact that last month the circulation was 900 copies.

FOUR seamen from the s.s. *Anacenis* were charged this morning with trespassing in premises under the control of the Captain Superintendent of Police, to wit, the kitchen of Sergeant Kent at the Central Police Court, with behaving in a disorderly manner, and with assaulting the Sergeant's "boy." On the first and second charges the first defendant was discharged with a caution, the second, third, and fourth being fined \$10 or 14 days, and on the third charge the fourth defendant was discharged the other three being fined \$5 or seven days, in all \$15 or 21 days.

A LONDON wire of the 6th inst. says: The British Government has commenced a prosecution of Messrs. Yarrow, the shipbuilders, with regard to the sale of a torpedo-boat to Russia and its navigation to Libau under the pretence that it was a private yacht. The case begins on Monday. It is believed that this action is the result of Japan's representations. It is hinted in Japan that the mysterious yachts which preceded the Baltic squadron through the Suez Canal are torpedo-boats built by Yarrow, and it is in connection with this that the British Government is prosecuting the firm.

A YOUNG Chinaman was hawking wares near the Wanchai Market when an Indian Constable asked for his licence. As the man was without one the constable tried to arrest him, but the hawk first dropped his wares, and then showed fight, afterwards retiring a short distance and opening fire with a volley of stones. The constable closed with him, and this morning Mr. Hazeland fined the culprit \$2 for his disorderly behaviour, and \$50 for hawking without a licence and assaulting the police in the execution of their duty. He also ordered him to be exposed for six hours in the stocks at the scene of the occurrence. It appears that this stone-throwing at the police, by unlicensed hawkers, is becoming a very common cause of complaint in this locality, the men even going as far as to rush into houses, get on the roofs and then drop tiles on their would-be captors, escaping through some other house when pursued.

MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Macao, 18th December.

THE MACAO-CANTON RAILWAY.

It was stated by the Shanghai correspondent of the London *Times* in his telegraphic summary of the 11th ult. to that great journal that the contract for the construction of the railway from Macao to Sung-shui by a Cino-Portuguese syndicate was "an undertaking which the position of affairs in South China is likely to render of considerable political importance in the future." Hence it behoves me to place in the forefront of news in my weekly communications any item relating to the railway question. It was forecasted in your editorial soon after the appearance of the text of the railway convention in the *Telegraph* that the agreement could not reasonably be ratified by the Portuguese parliament in presence of the idiotic stipulations that do so little credit to the negotiator of the convention for Portugal. Information reached me to-day that the Chamber of Deputies has withheld its approval to the ratification of the Convention. By most people in the select circle who have had the exclusive news the decision is regarded as essential to the preservation of Portuguese prestige in China. In Macao we hail the rejection of the convention with the utmost satisfaction; because if its terms had been accepted we foresee in it the reduction of our position to that of a vassal of the Government of the Two Kwang. Moreover, with a health resort in Heungshan such as was proposed in Article XX. of the abortive Convention what little attraction at present commanded by this city will be taken away in favour of that to be created in Heungshan. The little life still remaining here in the summer months by the visits from Hongkong will soon wane, and property which appreciated in value within recent years will soon revert to the old order of things. The railway is once again as far from realisation as the harbour scheme is likely to receive its quietus at the hands of the Government at home.

THE HARBOUR SCHEME.

In connection with the dredging of the harbour the last European mail brought important news which are disappointing to those who hoped to see some little revival in the coastal trade of the port with an improved harbour and its approaches. At a meeting held on the 5th November of the Ministers and Deputies the harbour works at Macao was brought up for discussion. In alluding to the subject Conselheiro Raphael Gorgio said that he did not wonder that the Minister for the Colonies should entertain some doubts as to the expediency of carrying out the Macao harbour improvements and as to the compensating results arising therefrom, seeing that his doubts were justly based upon the information he had received from the Governor in that colony. He, however, referred to portions of the work that had been commenced and to the estimate of costs to dispel the doubts in the Minister's mind and urged that his fears cannot really be upheld even though they had for their foundation the report from the colonial Governor. The speaker thought, moreover, that as Macao had a surplus of revenue over expenditure it was not quite in order for the home government to hold back its sanction from these works.

Replying, the Minister stated that his attitude was prompted by a firm conviction. He had no doubt that the steady silting up of the harbour was very prejudicial; but the fact is that upon the best data the works do not in any way make up for the expenditure to be incurred. He marshalled an array of figures in support of his contention. The works now recommended by the present Governor, and which within a few days should be started, will suffice to meet the most pressing needs. Later it can be seen whether it might be possible to enlarge upon and execute the general plan so warmly advocated by Conselheiro R. Gorgio and which should confer on the port of Macao works of great magnitude and exceptional outlay.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

In official circles it is stated that Mr. A. Magalhães, the former chief justice, will be returning to Macao and resume his seat as chief justice of the colony.

IN the correspondence sent in on Saturday by Messrs. Gregor and Co., and headed "Cheap Spirits in Hongkong," where reference is made to Irish and Scotch whisky of high commercial quality, distilled through patent stills, it should read through *pat* stills.

ALTHOUGH comparatively new to Hongkong, the firm of Gregor & Co., which has been established in Queen's Road, promises to take a foremost position in the high-class liquor trade of the colony. Already they have shown their views regarding the purity of the wines and spirits which are frequently sold in the public market, and they announce that only whiskies which have been bottled at home will be sold by them here. Those who know anything about the methods adopted at home as contrasted with those in vogue where natives are concerned, will realise the importance of this departure from ordinary lines. Their champagnes, clarets, and white wines are specially recommended, while their liqueurs such as peppermint, curacao, cherry brandy, maraschino, etc. are likely to be seen on many tables at Christmas. A tempting offer, which is fully set out in our advertising columns, is made to those who purchase \$15 worth of wines and spirits, and it might be worth the attention of readers. The whiskies, it may be added, are sold at prices varying between \$10 and \$24 a case. The firm has just issued a most attractive catalogue of prices together with a useful pamphlet of recipes, numerous American mixed drinks, etc. We are in receipt of this together with a number of sample bottles of wine, which it is our intention of sampling at an early date, and the opinion of our special taster shall be set forth in these columns in due course.

THE FESTIVE SEASON.

SANTA CLAUS AGAIN ON DUTY.

HONGKONG STORES.

II.

CHAZALON & CO.

Among the foremost establishments in Hongkong for the sale of high class delicacies, particularly those of French and Italian manufacture, are Messrs. Chazalon & Co. in Queen's Road. In the way of lighter dainties, the firm is displaying a varied and attractive stock of sweets, Christmas bon-bons, pralines, cremes, chocolates, etc. These are provided in fancy and artistic boxes in sizes to suit all buyers. An excellent selection of French sweets, including jujubes, nougates, pralines, gossifats, pates pectorales can be obtained at trifling cost, and the fact that all are by makers of world-wide reputation is guarantee of the purity and flavour of the dainties. One class of Christmas goods well worth attention is that of bottled fruits. There are apricots, plums, peaches, cherries, etc., preserved in brandy, and it may be expected that once this delicacy becomes known it will command a ready sale. As usual the stock of perfumery forms an important and decidedly artistic section of the firm's warehouses. The perfumes are all manufactured by well-known firms, such as Roger & Gallet, Rigaud, Piver, of Paris, and others. For ladies probably it would be difficult to find a more suitable present, especially considering the pretty and ornate bottles in which the perfumes are encased. As regards the wines, Messrs. Chazalon & Co. have a great variety of first-class liqueurs, clarets, etc., and their stock of Christmas cakes is unlimited. Not only that but they are selling the French bread which had a great name in Giraux's time. The original baker is at work producing the bread daily and it has reached its old state of perfection and is likely to outshine all competitors. Fancy and plain biscuits, cheeses, puddings, coffee, syrups, etc., are in great variety. Indeed one might have an excellent Christmas dinner at Messrs. Chazalon & Co.'s establishment without calling in any outside aid. In conclusion, it has only to be added that there are Christmas tree decorations, and toys of infinitum.

THE CAFE WEISSMANN.

This enterprising firm, which has only been established here for a few months, has already stepped into the highest ranks of local caterers, and at the present time is making a really wonderful display of high class *confiserie* in view of the near approach of the festive season. Apart from its central position, exactly facing the Post Office and Supreme Court, the management have spared no pains by advertisement and otherwise to make known to the public the fact that there is a well equipped place in the Colony where away from the worry and bluster of hotels, quiet meals and refreshments can be had practically at all hours, combined with a privacy not attainable elsewhere. The ordinary meals served by the Café Weissmann, and all by the way prepared by a European chef, and served under distinctly European supervision are as good as can be obtained in Hongkong, whilst special facilities are available for ladies shopping, etc., requiring light refreshments. A special feature of the business is the confectionery department, all kinds of dainty cakes being made to order on the shortest notice, whilst recently has been added the manufacture of sweets, chocolate goods, and candies of all descriptions, absolutely fresh, and of the most pleasing description. The excellent catering for parties done by this firm is too well-known to require description. The Café has become a popular institution in the Colony with all classes, and justly deserves its popularity.

H. RUTTONJEE.

The firm of which Mr. H. Ruttonjee is the head has a capital exhibition of all those delicacies which somehow appeal to old and young at Christmas. In the way of cakes, chocolates, sweets of English and French manufactures, crystallised fruits of every description, a very large and varied stock is kept. The firm has made a reputation for making cakes and for executing orders promptly, and a trial of their skill can be honestly recommended. The crystallised fruits are put up in fancy boxes which will catch the eye. Of course, there is an abundance of crackers and Christmas goods generally, even including the highly essential plum pudding, so that those who are considering the question of gifts might be well advised if they gave Mr. Ruttonjee, in D'Aguilar Street, a trial.

LONG HING & CO.

Photographic goods are the special forte of Long Hing and Co. and one of their novelties suitable for a gift at Christmas is a \$5 camera, which is well and strongly made and the very thing for a beginner. The camera would be an especially good present for a child who is past the age of toys and not old enough to enjoy more philosophic amusements. The usual features of the stock are well maintained, films, plates, cameras and kodaks being kept in large supply.

A CHEE & CO.

In furniture, household goods of every description, and ornaments A Chee & Co. hold a leading place in Hongkong and on this occasion they are showing a big stock of goods all of the latest patterns. The selection of mantel ornaments, Dresden ware, artistically grouped figures, and similar articles which go to make a home comfortable and pleasant to the eye, is exceptionally varied, and as prices generally are low there should be a ready demand. The household accessories are of solid workmanship and good appearance, and there can be no doubt that A Chee & Co. are prepared for a busy time as the 25th advances.

SINGER SEWING MACHINE CO.

"What better gift than a Singer sewing machine for Christmas?" asks the manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. in Hongkong, and certainly the terms on which these handy and useful articles are offered are exceedingly reasonable. Since the Co. comes to the East, they have found it necessary to

import new types of machines, and now it is possible to obtain machines for Chinese shoe and other special articles which are only found in China. It may be mentioned that machines are sold on a deposit of \$10, with subsequent payments of \$5 per month. This enables even the family of small means to acquire a machine, and certainly the claim that these articles are appropriate Christmas gifts is well-founded.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

Mee Cheung, the well-known photographer of Ice House Street, has a very large selection of photographs, illustrating Eastern life in all its sides, and particularly affording some idea of life in Hongkong, Canton and Shamen. These make exceedingly appropriate gifts and are always appreciated. He has also for sale cameras, plates, films and developing utensils generally. Enlargements are carried out at very cheap rates, and perhaps his good a present as any that could be desired will be found at Mee Cheung's establishment.

THE MUTUAL STORES.

One of the most artistically decorated establishments in the city is that of the Mutual Stores. The building has been embellished with festoons of flowers and holly, with Japanese lanterns—made in England, by the way—swinging from the roof. The tables have also been well laid out, covered with Christmas articles, such as crackers, casques and bon-bons, Christmas tree ornaments and toy novelties, crystallised fruits in pretty cases, and Raphael Tuck's cards. The toy department is very extensive and all manner of articles likely to please and entertain the children are on view. Some French novelties in toys are shown, while of dolls there is an endless variety. The usual sweets manufactured by Pascal and other famous confectioners, plum puddings and other characteristic dainties and delicacies are on sale and indeed the stores are a sore temptation to the buyer. Fruits, candies and toffee nuts, figs, dates, etc., and all the necessary ingredients of the pudding are to be found in great variety and altogether the Mutual Stores have made a successful appeal to the public for the Christmas trade.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

The following have been chosen to play for the Club in the Rugby match against H.M.S. *Gladynd Albion* at Happy-to-morrow—Kick off 4.45 p.m. back: J. A. Bouchier; three quarters: J. Thomson, A. N. Other, A. O. Lang, Y. D. Bateman; halves: J. Clark, H. Soper; forwards: E. R. Ballifax, Capt. Elgodd, Lieut. Graham, Lieut. Black, Lieut. Rankin, Lieut. Duncan, J. C. Steen, and H. F. Chard.

THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

Mr. W. H. Trenchard Davis, hon. secretary of the above, writes to inform us that good progress is being made in the formation of the Association. Rules have been drawn up and will shortly be issued to members. The first annual meeting will take place early next month, when it is hoped that the total membership will reach 100. He will be pleased to receive the names of any British subjects desirous of joining, who have not already sent in their names. His address is 10, Des Voeux Road, Central.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 19th at 11.30 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly in Japan and fallen moderately in China.

Gradients are still rather steep upon all the coasts of China but are becoming less so. Fresh NE. monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and fresh strong monsoon in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh to strong NE. winds, fine.

CAPTAIN Lawrence of the American barque *Acme*, now at Kobo, died at the hospital there on the 6th. His widow and a son of 19 are on board the vessel.

THE steamer *Victoria* which was recently picked up by the *Honolulu* disabled and towed to Japan, had struck a rock, and her cargo of bean-cakes and skins was damaged by sea water.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Empress of China*) 20th inst.
German (*Prinz Etel Friedrich*) 20th inst.
German (*Roon*) 22nd inst. daylight.
Indian (*Latsang*) 26th inst.
American (*Coptic*) 26th inst.
Australian (*Talyuan*) 28th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Java* left Singapore for this port on 17th inst., at 5 p.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Roon* left Singapore on 17th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on 22nd inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Manchuria* with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port this evening, and is due here on 22nd inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Etel Friedrich* left Shanghai on 17th inst., at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on 20th inst., at daylight.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at 6.30 a.m., on 17th inst., and left again at 4 p.m., same day, for Nagasaki where she was due to arrive at 8 a.m., today.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Shanghai at 5.30 p.m., on 17th inst., and left again at 4.30 a.m., Sunday, for Hongkong where she is due to arrive at noon, on 20th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Mongolia* with mails, &c., which left hence on 19th ult., for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on 16th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

Fiscal Policy. Working Men.

LONDON, 16th December.

Mr. Chamberlain has re-opened his campaign. Addressing 4,000 working men at Limehouse, he dealt especially on the advantages of his policy for the working classes, and said that it was impossible to maintain the protection of labour with the unrestricted imports of paupers and cheap foreign goods made cheaper by artificial means; unless reform was adopted workers would have to accept lower wages or lose employment.

LATER.

Funeral of the Late President Kruger.

THE KING'S COMMAND.

The late President Kruger's funeral was attended by a great concourse of Burghers. The service conducted by the leading Dutch Ministers was most impressive. The leading speaker declared that the Boers were loyal to the new flag which was a symbol of equality and freedom, but the nation must follow the lines of development which the late President Kruger had laid down.

17th December.

Ex-General Botha, speaking at the late President's funeral, urged his countrymen to carry out the late President's ideal of creating a great nation North of the Vaal, while remaining loyal to the new Government and promoting the unification of the white races. He read, as a political testament, the late President's letter urging unity, with a view of rebuilding what had been overthrown.

By the command of the King a battery fired a salute of 21 guns and the Imperial Government was represented.

THE WAR.

JAPAN'S WAR BUDGET.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Mr. M. Noma, Consul for Japan, has kindly forwarded to us the following telegram—

Tokio, December 17th, 10 p.m.

On the 17th instant the House of Representatives unanimously voted the War Budget of Yen 780,000,000, as asked for by the Government, as extraordinary naval and military expenditure; and a Contingent Fund for 1905.

Of the above amount Yen 209,000,000 will be paid out of the revenue for 1905, which is estimated to amount to Yen 388,000,000, including the receipt of Yen 74,000,000 from increased taxation and other sources of revenue. The balance of Yen 571,000,000 is to be obtained in the form of bonds and temporary loans, but of this sum Yen 120,000,000 is already covered by the loan recently raised abroad.

The House also passed the ordinary budget for 1905 practically as presented by the Government, the reduction in the expenditure being only a little over Yen 1,000,000.

IMPORTANT LAND SALES.

CAUSEWAY BAY.

This afternoon at the offices of the Public Works Department, by order of H. E. the Governor, two lots of Crown Land were let by public auction, for terms of 75 years with the option of renewal at the expiration of those periods at a Crown rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of the King, for a further period of 75 years. The first lot is situated at Causeway Bay and is registered as inland lot No. 1723, contains 37,060 square feet, and carrying an annual Crown rent of \$382.

This lot was knocked down to Mr. Yun Chuk Hing, ironmonger, of 157, Connaught Road, for \$1,138 or \$20 above upset price, and is to be used for storing his wares.

YAU MATI.

The second lot is situated at Yau mati, Kowloon, and is registered as inland lot No. 1161, contains 145,150 square feet, and carries an annual Crown rent of \$1,832. This was bought by Mr. John McCubbin, manager of the Gas Company, for \$65,418, or \$100 above the upset price. This land is to be held for the purposes of future extensions of the gas works. There was no competition in either case, the above-named being the only bidders.

FOUND DROWNED.

This afternoon, at the Magistracy, before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, sitting as Coroner, an inquiry was held into the cause of the death of Charles Frederick Richardson, able seaman of H.M.S. Robin, whose dead body was found at the bottom of No. 2 dock at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock at Kowloon, under circumstances already recorded in these columns. The following jury was impanelled: Messrs. J. A. Woodgate (Foreman), T. S. Perry, and C. W. Hayward. Evidence was led that deceased, who had been reported as missing from his vessel for two days previously, was last seen alive when assisting to extinguish the fire on the *Indravall*, in the dock. There were no marks of violence on the body, and nothing to cause any suspicion of foul play. The jury returned a verdict of "Found drowned." Sergeant O'Sullivan was in charge of the case.

DECEMBER CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

A BLACK CALENDAR.

The December Criminal Sessions opened at the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice, Sir Henry S. Berkeley, taking his seat on the Bench at ten o'clock precisely.

PIRACY ON LANTAO, LEADER FLOGGED. A canoe-looking Celestial, named Chung Shing Hing, was indicted for demanding money by menaces, at Tai-Ho on the 6th July last, being further charged with carrying, with other evil-disposed persons, swords and revolvers, at the same time and place, and inciting to riot. The prisoner pleaded not guilty to each charge, and the jury empanelled to hear the case, was sworn in as follows:—

Messrs. Thomas Banks (Foreman), H. W. Fraser, Wallace A. Ward, Isidor Silbermann, G. Morton Smith, K. N. Mody, and F. A. Wendt.

The Hon. the Attorney General (Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C.), in opening the case for the Crown, said the scene of the charge was Tai-Ho which, as they probably all knew, was the principal village on Lantau Island. The prisoner was the head man in the District of the Trads, an organisation of the most lawless kind, and in this capacity he had for a long time been blackmailing and terrorising the fishermen of the District and forcing them to pay sums of money to him and his gang.

On the day in question, the evidence called went on to show, prisoner went to the prosecutor in this case, a fisherman by the name of Fong, who owned a fishing boat, and demanded a hundred dollars. Fong had previously been blackmailed, but only for small amounts, and when he told the prisoner he could not possibly pay this money, prisoner said, "Very well then I shall come back with my gang, and you will surely be beaten and your boat broken up." In the afternoon prisoner did return with a number of his gang, about seventy, in their Hok-lo boats, but owing to the fact that there was a small bar they could not reach the Tai-Ho men. Prisoner from the nearest place he could come shouted out a number of the most abominable threats, and said to his gang, "Let us take some tea. We will return at the ebb, kill them and burn their boats." Prosecutor in the meantime contrived to communicate with the police, and that same afternoon four of the desperadoes were arrested, and were convicted in that Court in July last. The prisoner succeeded in escaping, and eluding the vigilance of the police until the 24th October last, when he was arrested at the village of Shekshan, Lantau, hiding under some old boxes, by P. C. Harding, who went to the spot in company, with some fifty armed fishermen.

Prisoner denied all the charges, and said he was elsewhere at the time.

His Lordship briefly reviewed the evidence, and

The jury returned a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, said that prisoner's companions, captured in July last, were sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour, but as leader of the gang he must receive a more severe sentence. He would have to go to prison for two years with hard labour, and would receive twenty-four strokes with the birch, within the first six months of his admittance.

A REVOLTING CASE.

IMPRISONMENT FOR HIS NATURAL LIFE. A coolie, recently employed in a public department in Hongkong, was indicted for carnally knowing a European child, aged four years and eight months, on the 22nd November. Prisoner was further indicted for attempting to have such carnal knowledge, and thrice with indecent assault. He stoutly denied the charges.

The following jurors were empanelled: Messrs. C. H. W. Kew (Foreman); C. G. Stewart Mackie; M. J. Danenberg; H. L. Muhle; F. Gomes; R. Pestonjee; and Hugo Suter.

The father of the child said his children knew prisoner very well, and were often playing round the works.

Evidence of the most conclusive character was given by the child's mother, the unfortunate child herself, Mrs. Hunter and Laing, and Inspector Smith.

Prisoner, a callous brute, sought to set up as a defence that the child's father and mother had made a false charge against him because he would not, or could not, supply them with kerosene.

A more revolting case has not been heard in Hongkong for many years.

The jury having found the prisoner guilty, His Lordship sentenced him to imprisonment for the term of his natural life.

SETTING FORTH TO STEAL.

Ho Tak and Lok Wing, two coolies, were charged that on the 22nd ultimo, whilst armed with knives and certain other offensive weapons, did enter the house of one, Cheung Ho, a woman at 9 Hing Lung Street, and steal a pair of gold earrings, furthermore did assault her, and put her in bodily fear.

Mr. H. G. Calhoun prosecuted on behalf of the Attorney General.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty and the following jurors were empanelled: Messrs. George Morton Smith (Foreman), J. Johnstone, E. V. D. Parr, Carl W. Smith, H. F. Chard, F. G. Allen, and R. H. King.

Prosecutrix on the date in question went to bed about six in the evening, and was afterwards awakened by some one sliding into her cubicle. She was dragged out of bed, taken into the kitchen, and with a knife pressed to her neck was bade be silent. She saw five or six men there. Subsequently she was able to get to the window and call for help. Her gold earrings were stolen from her room, and were worth \$8. She did not identify either of the accused.

After the evidence of the prosecutrix, a witness was called showing that the accused were present.

Both prisoners then on their own confession said they went to the house intending to steal, but they knew nothing of the woman's earnings.

Counsel for the Crown admitted, in reply to His Lordship, his willingness to accept the plea of the prisoners on the second count, attempting to steal.

The jury found them guilty.

His Lordship commented upon the seriousness of the men armed with knives breaking into

another person's house with the intention of doing that which they had now confessed it was their intention of doing. The fact that the accused had not stolen anything made the matter only a little less serious. They would be sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour. Had they been convicted of the full offence, they would certainly have got more than twice that imprisonment and a flogging into the bargain.

The Court adjourned at 2.45 p.m. until 10 a.m. to-morrow.

FREEMASONRY.

LODGE EASTERN SCOTIA, NO. 913, S.C., KOWLOON.

The installation of Right Worshipful Master Bro. J. W. Graham to the chair of this Lodge, took place at the Masonic Hall on Saturday evening, and was very well attended. The ceremony was performed by the District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in Hongkong and South China, Rt. Wor. Bro. Dr. Jordan, after which the incoming Master invested and appointed his officers as follows: I. P. M. Wor. Bro. C. F. Focken; Deputy Master Wor. Bro. H. B. Bridger; Substitute Master, Wor. Bro. W. C. Jack; Wor. Sen. Warden Bro. D. Harvey; Wor. Jun. Warden, Bro. C. Fittock; Secretary, Wor. Bro. H. Harley; Treasurer Wor. Bro. W. E. Claret; Organist Bro. J. Parkes; Senior Deacon Bro. J. McGlashan; Junior Deacon, Wor. Bro. Dang Chee; Chaplain Bro. G. W. Kynoch; Inner Guard Bro. J. Clelland, Director of Ceremonies, Bro. R. Wilson; Steward, Bro. R. M. Mattheay, and Tyler, Bro. S. Smith.

An adjournment was then made to the supper room, which had been beautifully decorated and illuminated for the occasion. Supper, as usual, was provided by the proprietors of the King Edward Hotel.

The banquet being concluded, The Chairman gave "The King and the Craft," and then "The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland," both of which were honoured with befitting cordiality.

The Chairman next proposed "The District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in Hongkong and South China." In doing so, he said it gave him especial pleasure to be elected Master that evening, as Lodge Eastern Scotia was one of the Lodges which had made the organisation of the District Grand Lodge possible. He was sure the members of the Eastern Scotia Lodge would do their utmost to further the work of the D.G.L., and the interests of Scottish Freemasonry, and the craft in general. He was sure he was expressing the wishes of all present in hoping the District Grand Lodge would prosper and do well.

The toast having been received, Wor. Bro. Dr. Jordan responded. He said it had given him and the other officers very great pleasure to perform the opening ceremony, and it was with equal pleasure that they saw the financial position and prosperity of that—the youngest Lodge in the District—in such a good condition. From the balance sheet that had been presented it appeared that the lodge had been in a position to participate in the "Hongkong Schools' Football League Competition," but owing to the limited space afforded by our playground our boys can hardly become very proficient. There are prospects of having the grounds enlarged in the direction of Glenally Ravine. Our boys also take an interest in the "Hongkong Schools' Athletic Sports" and usually carry off an very high percentage of the prizes. In conclusion, we have to tender our sincerest thanks to H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan for so kindly coming to distribute the prizes and for having so graciously headed the list of our many prize donors. We also tender our most cordial thanks to H. E. Major-General Villiers Hutton, Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard Noel and Messrs. C. R. Scott, W. Brewer & Co., E. Niedhardt, J. Machado, Shing Kee, V. H. Deacon, R. Shewan, E. A. Hewitt, A. G. Romazo (Consul for Portugal) R. F. Soares, F. T. Yai, Ullmann & Co., E. Danenberg, J. J. Leiria, Ho Tung, Ahmet Rumjahn, M. Noma, A. Shing Kee, C. J. Gonsalves, F. Soares, and others, for their having so generously contributed to our prize fund.

The Governor, who was loudly applauded, said:—The report the Rev. Father has just read of the work of the school during last year is very satisfactory, and it has given me great pleasure to award the prizes that many of you have earned by your diligence. You are now going off on your holidays, and I hope you will all have an enjoyable time, and when you come back you will try to do even better than this time, and when eventually you leave the school, to go out into the bigger world, you will look back with gratitude to the good Fathers who spend their lives teaching you to become useful and true men. The object of this Institution is two-fold. First of all it is intended to train boys to be honest men clean in mind and action, and then it is intended to so educate them as to be a credit to the school and the Colony. Training and education go hand in hand. Without education, training loses much of its value, and without training education is often mischievous. They could, however, safely rely on the good Fathers to look after the training of the boys under them, and the report shows how successful they are in matters of education. I think it was stated in the report that one of the great difficulties was in regard to the great number of races and creeds to which they boys belong. It seems to me that difficulty can best be overcome by making the tuition in the junior classes more thorough. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the importance of thorough teaching in the junior classes, so that in advancing them to higher classes it may be taken for granted that they have made themselves thoroughly efficient in the more elementary branches of learning. I have seen it stated in the Press that I am interested in education. I don't see how it is possible for any Government or for any Governor not to be interested in this matter,

before mid-night.

The Chairman acknowledged the toast in brief terms, concluding by proposing the health of Wor. Bro. Focken, the I. P. M., a proposition which was received with enthusiasm, and neatly replied to.

Bro. K. H. B. Mitchell proposed the health of Wives, Sisters, Daughters and Sweethearts of Masons.

Bro. Schulten having shortly replied, the toast list was brought to a termination with the customary "All Poor and Distressed Masons."

The toasts were agreeably and pleasantly interspersed with songs, contributed by Brothers J. A. Tarrant ("Beauty's Eyes"); J. L. Cotter ("Out on the Deep," and "The Longshoreman") Captain Thomas, of the *Powan* ("The Flight of Ages" and "Queen of the Earth"); D. Harvey ("The Old Rustic Bridge"); W. J. Russell ("The Yeoman's Wedding Song"); and many others, whilst Brother Tindal Lea made an efficient accompanist.

The proceedings, which proved most enjoyable throughout, were brought to a close well before mid-night.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual prize distribution to the students of the above College, prior to the breakup for the Christmas holidays, took place on Saturday afternoon, when H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan presided and distributed the prizes. There was a fairly large attendance, the actual business being preceded by a brief entertainment, song and recitations being given by the boys in good style.

Brother Sylvano, Director of the College, then read the annual report, which was, as follows:—

ANNUAL REPORT.

Your Excellency, Rev. Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen,—To give a report on the work done in this School since the last prize-day would be a rather difficult task as I think there has not been any since 1897. I shall therefore limit myself to bringing before your notice as briefly as possible the various successes and failures of the College during the last scholastic year. In the first place I must mention some changes that have taken place. The Code has been altered, the present one came into effect last June; it gives a greater latitude to the heads of institutions, to the framing of the syllabus remains in their hands provided they submit it to the Inspector of Schools. It also entrusts the headmasters with the promotion of the pupils from a lower to a higher standard. The report of the Inspector of Schools was certainly flattering in many instances; it points out, however, the great difficulty of a marked success in this institution owing for the many classes of boys frequenting the school. They comprise almost every nationality and every creed. During the year we had an average attendance of 247 and secured the highest grant obtainable according to the present Code. We are particularly pleased with the results obtained in the Oxford University Local Examinations. The College presented six boys in the Senior Division and the six candidates came out successful, one in third class honours. We presented only one in the Junior Division; unfortunately he failed. In the Preliminary section we presented four and three were successful, one just failed to satisfy the examiners. Two of the boys who passed the Senior are at present in London pursuing their University studies. We notice that the boys in this Colony are rather ashamed to speak or show themselves in public. To combat this defect we got up a stage where a certain number of boys have to appear at the end of each term. It develops their elocutionary powers and gives them a desire to continue their studies. The system of weekly reports continues to be a great source of emulation, and it is gratifying to see that most of the parents take a great interest in them. Other great means of emulation are the monthly and quarterly examinations which are carried out regularly and the results of which are sent to the parents. The pupils continue to take great interest in the military drill. Unfortunately the master is changed so often that it is rather difficult to arrive at any kind of perfection. Cricket seems to be the favourite sport of the majority, a football team was organised so as to participate in the "Hongkong Schools' Football League Competition," but owing to the limited space afforded by our playground our boys can hardly become very proficient. There are prospects of having the grounds enlarged in the direction of Glenally Ravine. Our boys also take an interest in the "Hongkong Schools' Athletic Sports" and usually carry off an very high percentage of the prizes. In conclusion, we have to tender our sincerest thanks to H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan for so kindly coming to distribute the prizes and for having so graciously headed the list of our many prize donors. We also tender our most cordial thanks to H. E. Major-General Villiers Hutton, Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard Noel and Messrs. C. R. Scott, W. Brewer & Co., E. Niedhardt, J. Machado, Shing Kee, V. H. Deacon, R. Shewan, E. A. Hewitt, A. G. Romazo (Consul for Portugal) R. F. Soares, F. T. Yai, Ullmann & Co., E. Danenberg, J. J. Leiria, Ho Tung, Ahmet Rumjahn, M. Noma, A. Shing Kee, C. J. Gonsalves, F. Soares, and others, for their having so generously contributed to our prize fund.

The Governor, who was loudly applauded, said:—The report the Rev. Father has just read of the work of the school during last year is very satisfactory, and it has given me great pleasure to award the prizes that many of you have earned by your diligence. You are now going off on your holidays, and I hope you will all have an enjoyable time, and when you come back you will try to do even better than this time, and when eventually you leave the school, to go out into the bigger world, you will look back with gratitude to the good Fathers who spend their lives teaching you to become useful and true men. The object of this Institution is two-fold. First of all it is intended to train boys to be honest men clean in mind and action, and then it is intended to so educate them as to be a credit to the school and the Colony. Training and education go hand in hand. Without education, training loses much of its value, and without training education is often mischievous. They could, however, safely rely on the good Fathers to look after the training of the boys under them, and the report shows how successful they are in matters of education. I think it was stated in the report that one of the great difficulties was in regard to the great number of races and creeds to which they boys belong. It seems to me that difficulty can best be overcome by making the tuition in the junior classes more thorough. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the importance of thorough teaching in the junior classes, so that in advancing them to higher classes it may be taken for granted that they have made themselves thoroughly efficient in the more elementary branches of learning. I have seen it stated in the Press that I am interested in education. I don't see how it is possible for any Government or for any Governor not to be interested in this matter,

before mid-night.

The Chairman acknowledged the toast in brief terms, concluding by proposing the health of Wor. Bro. Focken, the I. P. M., a proposition which was received with enthusiasm, and neatly replied to.

Bro. K. H. B. Mitchell proposed the health of Wives, Sisters, Daughters and Sweethearts of Masons.

Bro. Schulten having shortly replied, the toast list was brought to a termination with the customary "All Poor and Distressed Masons."

The toasts were agreeably and pleasantly interspersed with songs, contributed by Brothers J. A. Tarrant ("Beauty's Eyes"); J. L. Cotter ("Out on the Deep," and "The Longshoreman") Captain Thomas, of the *Powan* ("The Flight of Ages" and "Queen of the Earth"); D. Harvey ("The Old Rustic Bridge"); W. J. Russell ("The Yeoman's Wedding Song"); and many others, whilst Brother Tindal Lea made an efficient accompanist.

The proceedings, which proved most enjoyable throughout, were brought to a close well before mid-night.

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because of course it is the school boys of to-day who make the citizens of to-morrow, and as the twig is bent so is the tree inclined. It only remains for me to thank the Fathers for having organised, and the boys for having carried out, so interesting an entertainment as we have listened to in this afternoon. Although it is not quite finished, I hope you will excuse my leaving, as I have another duty to attend to, in another part of the Island. The prize list is printed on the third page.

On the departure of His Excellency, the boys performed an amusing farce. A very entertaining programme of songs, music and recitations was the concluding feature of the day's proceedings. The items were all specially well rendered, and thus we shall make no invidious distinctions, each performer tacitly announcing the excellence of the patient training he had received from the Brothers of the College. Those taking part included Messrs. Colapes, A. Baptista, H. Remedios, J. Rosario, Max Sternburg, A. Baptista, L. A. G. Gnao, P. Dupuy, Goncalves, Ribeiro, P. Logan, A. Caluani, L. Ribeiro, Francisco and Filomeno Ozorio, the choir and the band. In a farce the performers were Messrs. A. Carroll, C. Sequeira, R. Vanguans, E. Lopez, F. Laurel, and A. Baptista. The Hall was prettily decorated, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

COMMERCIAL.

SHARE LIST.

Following are some further alterations in Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Potts' share quotations—

Straits Steamships	4 p.m.
Farnham	£145 s.
Tanjong Pagar	£166 b.
Langkats	£232 s.
Powells	£124 b.

Advices from Shanghai, of the 15th inst., state:—Business reported:—Tugs 'Ord' at £15. 50, "Pref" at £15. 48. Indo-China at £15. 91 for December. Farnham Boys at £15. 169/168/166 for December, £15. 170/168 for January, and £15. 174/173/172 for March. Shanghai Lands at £15. 116. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. at £15. 61 L.S. Wei-nai-wei Golds at \$12. Maatschappij at £15. 285 ex div. cash, £15. 285 ex div. for December and £15. 297 ex div. for March. Hall and Holts at £15. 25. Gas at £15. 105. Mondays at £15. 10.

Business done direct:—Yangtze Insurances at \$150. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves at £15. 155 for March, R.M.I. Farnham Boys at £15. 169/168 cash, £15. 167 for December and £15. 173/173 for March. Maatschappij at £15. 297 ex div. for March. Gas at £15. 105.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from KELLY SAYCE, Esq., to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

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ALSO A Quantity of PALMS in Pots. Catalogues may be had on application. TERMS—As usual.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1345]

PLEASE NOTE.

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1 Full-size Bottle of MESSRS. MARIE BIZARD & ROGER'S AFTER-DINNER LIQUEURS, to be selected out of 20 Varieties.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1356]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "SILVERLIP," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 26th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1358]

TRY OUR FRESH XMAS CAKES.

MADE from the best of ingredients and pure fresh AUSTRALIAN BUTTER in 1 lb., 2 lbs., 3 lbs., and of other sizes made to order by giving previous notice. Yearly increasing sale is the sufficient guarantee of their superiority. All orders will be carefully attended to.

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To-day's Advertisements.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
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MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUK
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"SOBRALENSE"	19th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	27th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	4th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"WRAYCASTLE"	5th January.

S.S. "SOBRALENSE" left Singapore on the 12th inst., at noon, and is expected here about the 19th.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	20th December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"NINGCHOW"	22nd December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	3rd January, 1905.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"HYSON"	17th January, "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	20th January, "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	31st January, "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"PELEUS"	28th December.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TAMING"	20th December.
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	20th "
CHEFOO	"ANHUI"	20th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	26th "

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

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Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewards carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	SATURDAY, 31st Dec., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL
PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
"CLAUDEDALE"	4,370	Wagner	NEW YORK	30th December, 1904.
"RAS ISSA"	4,370	Brehmer	"	20th January, 1905.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
FOR

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	January 25th, "
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahl	February 20th, "
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	March 12th, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and
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TSANG FOO & CO.,
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45, DES VŒUX ROAD.SHIPS Coaled from alongside at the shortest
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Prices Moderate. Telephone No. 329.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

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PAPERS, AND STATIONERY
of every variety.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

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REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

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THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons	Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,309	J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG" 1,338	H. W. WALKER.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
Evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
Every Evening (Sunday excepted).
These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4
Meals (Each) 1
The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.
SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
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No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1904.

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THE British Steamship

"YING KING."
Captain E. J. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,
is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every
following evening at 5 P.M.1st Class \$3.00 for Single journey.
and " 1.50 " " "
Meals 1.00 each. " "
The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
WENDT & Co.,
Canton Agents.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1904.

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THE Splendid Steamer

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Captain Page will make an EXCURSION
TRIP TO MACAO, ON EVERY SUNDAY,
leaving the Company's wharf at the end of
Wing Lok Street, at 8.30 A.M., and returning
from Macao at 7.30 P.M.
The Steamer will lay alongside the S.S.
Perseverance's wharf at Macao.FARE:
1st Class Single Ticket \$2.00, with Cabin \$3.00
Return " \$3.00, " \$5.00
Tiffin and Dinner may be had on Board
at \$1 each meal.YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
S. A. NORONHA,
Macao Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI"
Captain T. AUSTIN, R.M.R.THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-
days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.
FARES:—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$3, Return Ticket,
\$5; and Class \$1; 2nd Class, 50 cents.
Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates:—1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single, 30
cents, Return, 50 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.
TIFFIN AND DINNER can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
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For further Particulars, apply to
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

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All job printing is done under European
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Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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"TIEN SIN,"

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MALTA,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. Himalaya and
Marmora.

From Australia, ex S.S. Macedonia.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. Sardinia.

From Persian Gulf, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and
B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
1 P.M., TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

S.S. "DUMBEA."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo, in connection
with above Steamer, are hereby in-
formed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being
landed and stored at their risks into the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained immediately after
landing.Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be
landed here.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after 21st December, at Noon, will be subject
to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to me on or be-
fore the 21st December, or they will not be re-
cognised.All damaged packages will be examined on
WEDNESDAY, the 21st December, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"DORIC,"

are hereby notified that their Goods are at
their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or
landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at
Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery
may be had either from Lighters or from our
Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of
Lading.Goods remaining unclaimed after the 19th
instant will be subject to rent.All Claims must be sent in to me on or
before the 22nd instant or they will not be
recognised.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
E. W. TILDEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG,
ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"AMBRIA,"
Captain Porzellus, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 20th instant will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1904.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong
Observatory a new code of meteorological
signals which comes into force at Hongkong
on New Year's Day. They are the same as
those at present in use at Shanghai, and will
be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at
Kowloon Point for the information of masters
of vessels leaving the port. They do not neces-
sarily imply that bad weather is expected. The
signals are as follows:—A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to
the North of the Colony.A cone point upwards and drum below in-
dicates a typhoon to the North-East of the
Colony.A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of
the Colony.A cone point downwards and drum below
indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the
Colony.A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon
to the South of the Colony.A cone point downwards and ball below
indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the
Colony.A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of
the Colony.A cone point upwards and ball below indicates
a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.Red Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.Black Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be less than 300 miles away from
the Colony.The above signals will, as heretofore, be
hoisted only when typhoons exist in such posi-
tions or are moving in such directions that in-
formation regarding them is considered to be of
importance to the Colony or to shipping leav-
ing the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad
weather in the Colony, and that the wind is
expected to veer.

Mails. MESSAGERIES MARITIMES FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

The S.S. "TONKIN," Captain R. Schmitz, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, at 1 P.M. Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports. Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe. Next sailings will be as follows:— S.S. DUMBEA 10th January, 1905. S.S. AUSTRALIEN 24th January, 1905. S.S. POLYNESIEN 7th February, 1905. L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent. Hongkong, 15th December, 1904.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. (Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.) T. H. R. Steamship "BENGAL," Captain G. Philipps, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 31st December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. Victoria, 6,522 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Oriental, due in London on the 12th February, 1905. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE. BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY. BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY. Connecting at Tacoma with NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA, VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. Steamers, Tons, Captains, Sailing. Pteleades 3,753 F.G. Purinton Ab. Dec. 23 Tremont 9,666 T.W. Garlick Jan. 10 Lyra 4,417 G.V. Williams Feb. 9 Pteleades 3,753 F.G. Purinton Mar. 4 Cargo only. FOR MANILA. The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamer for Manila. Tremont 9,666 T.W. Garlick Ab. Dec. 28 CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSE. The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont have just been fitted with very superior accommodation for first and second class passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage. For further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents. Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 15th December, 1904.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL. A FOOK & Co., SHIP AND HOUSE COMPRADORES, have this day REMOVED TO NO. 12, POTTINGER STREET, (opposite their old establishment). Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. ONE VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 9 1/2 inches diameter by 8 inch stroke. One VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 12 1/2 inches diameter by 18 inch stroke. One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 11 1/2 inches diameter by 36 inch stroke. One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 16 inches diameter by 30 inch stroke. The above can be inspected, and all particulars obtained, upon application to the Manager, Kowloon Docks. W. B. DIXON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED. PORTLAND CEMENT. In Casks of 37 1/2 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask ex Factory. In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$8.20 per Bag ex Factory. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

FOR SALE. INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, from the best makers. INCANDESCENT MANTLES, GLOBES, SHADES, &c., for GASOLINE AND GAS LAMPS at the most moderate prices. Lamps fixed up for Buyers free of charge. Naphtha of the best kind kept in stock. TAI KWONG CO., 56, Lyndhurst Terrace. Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904.

To Let. TO LET. GODOWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy Town. Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. TO LET. NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK. Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. TO LET. NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE. A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD. FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground. OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER). GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST. Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

TO LET. EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 15, GAP ROAD, facing Race Course, within reach of the Electric Cars, thoroughly cleaned and colour-washed, in flats or whole. Apply to— S. A. SETH, Land and Estate Broker, Dairy Farm Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 17th November, 1904.

TO LET. WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147, WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and airy Flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive of Taxes. No. 13, MOSQUE JUNCTION. And others to suit various requirements. S. A. SETH, Land and Estate Broker, Dairy Farm Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th October, 1904.

TO LET. ONE ROOM on the First Floor of ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Apply to— SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited. Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.									
Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given in "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.									
STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.		LAST DIVIDEND.		APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.				
BANKS.									
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$350,000	\$1,492,554	Div. of £1.10/- @ exchange 1/9 15/16 \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	5 1/2 %		\$715 sales (London £70)
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	\$175,533 \$191,973	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 %		\$39 sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.									
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000 81,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 %		\$250 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$950,000 \$151,992 \$162,366 \$371,445	Nil.	\$4 1/2 for year ended 30.4.1904	7 1/2 %		\$584 sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 %		Tls. 96 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 £20,000 \$172,749 \$893,116 \$846,773	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 %		\$710
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$700,000 \$37,794	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	8 %		\$150 sales
FIRE INSURANCES.									
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$160	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$125,675	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 %		\$90 sa. & b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$250,000 \$2,501	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 %		\$335 sa. & b.
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.									
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900			\$24
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$80,935 \$250,000	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6 %		\$334 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$600,000 \$157,555	\$16,362	\$1 1/2 for first half-year 1904	10 1/2 %		\$28 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	£205,000 £100,000	£5,553	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16 = \$5.378	4 1/2 %		\$128 sales
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	8 1/2 %		Tls. 53 sales
Do. (Preference)	100,000						8 %		Tls. 49 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£400,000	£19,555	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	4 %		25/6 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$60,000 \$15,093	\$1,287	{ \$1.80 & b. 40 cts } for year ending 30.4.04 { \$0.90 & b. 20 cts }	5 1/2 % 3 1/2 %		\$40 sellers \$30 sellers
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$400,000 \$521,075 \$18,000 \$130,153	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd 1/2-year making \$13 for 1903	8 1/2 %		\$150 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for 1904	10 %		Tls. 30
REFINERIES.									
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904			\$225 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897			\$17
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,456	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	4 1/2 %		Tls. 60
MINING.									
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/8			Tls. 6 1/2 buyers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$10	none	G \$672,093	50 cents making G \$1 for 1904	6 1/2 %		G \$160 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/8 = 48 cents			\$4 1/2 sellers
SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DES CHARRONNAGES DU TONKIN.									
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 257,137 Fcs. 1,520,652	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903			\$490
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	8 %		\$45 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$28,015	Interim of \$4 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 %		\$114 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$25,500	\$505,471	{ \$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half- year 1904 }	7 1/2 %		\$217 1/2 sellers
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000		\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for 1903/4	7 1/2 %		\$203 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	\$55,500	\$489	\$12 for 1903	4 1/2 %		\$27 sellers
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$40,936	\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 %		\$192 1/2
Do. (Preference)	2,750						6 %		\$112 1/2
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 7 final = Tls. 12 for year end. 30.4.04	7 1/2 %		Tls. 165 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	32,000	\$100	\$100	Tls. 487,210	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	8 1/2 %		Tls. 135 sales
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,050,000	\$43,732	\$6 for 2nd half year 1903	5 %		\$257 1/2
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	Tls. 18 for 1903	9 1/2 %		Tls. 190 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.									
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$9,080	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	9 %		\$28 sales
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	6 %		Tls. 139
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50			Interim of Tls. 2	9 %		Tls. 55
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$12,824	\$11,668	\$2 for first half-year 1904	8 %		\$145 sales
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$100,000	\$11,666	Interim of \$6 for 1904	8 %		\$148 sellers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 13,986	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 %		Tls. 10 sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$50,000	\$9,177	90 cents for 1903	7 1/2 %		\$12 1/2
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$30	none	\$636	\$2.60 for 1903	6 1/2 %		\$381 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 17,144	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %		Tls. 117 sales
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2			Tls. 49 sellers
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %		Tls. 125
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None			Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,362	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1904	5 %		\$59 buyers
COTTON MILLS.									
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	4 1/2 %		Tls. 25 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$22,862	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	5 1/2 %		\$138
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 4 1/2 a/c 1898			Tls. 21 1/2 buyers
Lao-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 15,500	Interim of 4 1/2 a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares			Tls. 32 1/2 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,658	Tls. 26,389	4 1/2 for 1897			Tls. 150
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.									
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900			\$100
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10			First year			\$9 1/2
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000 \$25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of Tls. 3	9 1/2 %		Tls. 65 sales
MISCELLANEOUS.									
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 25,000	\$2,883	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 %		\$12 1/2
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	6d. per share for 1903	5 1/2 %		\$1
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$590	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 %		\$10 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000			\$20,000	\$1,253	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 %		\$12 sellers
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$12						\$100
Do. (New Issue)	24,000	\$15	\$7 1/2		First year	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	6 1/2 %		\$8 sellers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	4 1/2 %		\$13 1/2 buyers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,944	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 %		Tls. 75 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$3,739	None			\$10 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,171	80 cents for 1903	8 1/2 %		\$12 sales
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6			\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	...		\$14 buyers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 152,318	Tls. 5 for 1903	...		Tls. 40 sellers
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,706	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	7 1/2 %		\$100 sales
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000	\$32,115	\$1.50 for 1903	5 %		\$30 buyers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$1,104	Interim of \$1	12 1/2 %		\$28 sellers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	£23,109 £3,000	£7,625	£1 div. and 2 1/2 bonus for 1903	7 1/2 %		\$160 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,747	{ \$1.00 } for year ending 30.4.1904 { 50 cents }	6 1/2 %		\$15 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$30,000	\$4,283	\$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	7 %		\$280 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,000	\$5,844	Interim of \$4 for 1904	6 %		\$260
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,395	\$10 for 1903	6 1/2 %		\$150
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,500	\$299	Final of 70 cts. and 50 cts. bonus making \$1.20 for the year ended 30.9.04	9 1/2 %		\$30 sales
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000		\$13 for 1903	9 1/2 %		\$135 buyers
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	none	\$21,582	Interim of \$5	8 1/2 %		\$140 buyers
Maatschappij tot Milieu- Bosch- en Landbouwen- plooiat in Langkat	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 334,669 Tls. 11,143	Tls. 27,187	4th quarterly of Tls. 5, paid 15.12.04 making in all Tls. 35 for 1904	12 1/2 %		Tls. 285 ex div. sa.
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	\$2 for year ended 31.10.1903	7 1/2 %		\$27 buyers
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000	\$832	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 %		\$55 sellers
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	None	Dr. \$5,537	None			\$50
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Dr. Tls. 7,548	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	8 %		Tls. 105 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	3 1/2 %		Tls. 93 sales
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 10,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	7 1/2 %		Tls. 165 buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,200	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,369	Interim of 15/- for 1904	6 %		Tls. 400 buyers
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	600	\$50	\$50	\$6,000	\$800	\$5 for year ended 31.7.1903	5 1/2 %		\$20
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$39,020	None			\$25 nominal
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$3,644	60 cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 %		\$7
Straits Ice Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$5			First year			\$4 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$45,000		\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 %		\$160 sales
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000	\$83,403	\$1 div. and 25 cents bonus for half year ended 30.9.1903	7 %		\$38 1/2
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	Dr. \$4,551	None			\$4 1/2 sellers
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	Tls. 2 for half year			Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 %		Tls. 130
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$4 1/2	\$20,000	\$480	90 cents for year ending 31.5.1904	9 1/2 %		\$10 buyers
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10			\$29.70	10 1/2 %		\$180 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,802	\$1,041	\$1 for 1903	10 1/2 %		\$18 sellers
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	10 %		\$12 buyers

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